

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 599

By Shepard

A RESOLUTION to recognize Frank M. Rodgers on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Frank M. Rodgers is one such estimable person, who has announced his retirement after thirty-nine years of outstanding service as an employee with the federal government; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodgers began his career as a county supervisor with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); and

WHEREAS, he then became the farm loan chief with the Farm Service Agency, in which position he served for thirty years and earned a well-deserved reputation for a high level of expertise in farm loans, thanks to his "can do" attitude, a dedication to excellence, and an unwavering loyalty to the goals of the USDA; and

WHEREAS, an organization is only as strong as the individuals who comprise that organization, and it is thanks to individuals like Mr. Rodgers that the USDA can continue to fill its mandate to serve the American people and the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, by contributing significantly to the quality of service that the USDA provides, Mr. Rodgers has played an important role in a great many positive outcomes and achievements; and

WHEREAS, his tireless efforts to support and strengthen Tennessee agriculture will benefit the citizens of Tennessee for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, Frank Rodgers exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Rodgers has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Frank M. Rodgers our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.